

CITY POSTOFFICE GETTING READY FOR BIG HOLIDAY RUSH

Extra Clerks Put on, and Arrangements Made to Hurry Deliveries.

Preparatory to the rush of mail incident to the approach of Christmas and the session of Congress, Postmaster N. A. Merritt this morning appointed fifteen substitute clerks in the city postoffice. They will serve from now until May 15, at \$50 a month.

The appointment of the clerks is the first preparation for the handling of the Christmas mail. Later the postal service in all its departments will be increased by the addition of temporary employees, and then regular employees will be placed on a twelve-hour-a-day schedule. They now work eight hours. They will not receive extra pay for their additional service, but they will be repaid in the form of less than eight-hour days in the summer.

The New Clerks.

The temporary clerks appointed today are: George Kinsey, Bertram L. H. Grimes, Harry J. Trignor, William C. Furr, William H. Twine, Michael S. Applestein, William L. Mulvey, Joseph H. Linnane, G. Sutor Reichenbach, Joseph D. Adams, Frederick A. Schutz, Benjamin S. Jackson, Harry V. Bell, Victor H. Eisenbeis, and Charles J. Marschauer. The first six are to be employees in the delivery division and the remainder in the mailing division.

Conferences with the various superintendents are being held by Postmaster Merritt, so that an estimate can be made of the appropriation necessary to move the mail as rapidly during the holiday season as during the dull months of summer. Mr. Merritt has announced that no mail will be "side-tracked" this year to make possible the delivery of Christmas packages. He has served notice that the thousands of postal cards must be distributed with the same speed as the big packages.

"We expect that the new automobile mail wagons will help materially," said Mr. Merritt today. "Then we will have a large wagon service for the holiday rush."

How It Will Be Done.

"Take, for example, sixteenth and O streets northwest. When the wagon arrives there, two carriers will jump off, spread canvas on the ground and dump out the mail for four blocks, whose corner touch there. From that point, which is, in reality, a temporary station, the distribution begins. We intend to practice this scheme. The plan was devised by C. B. Matthews."

As the season advances many substitute carriers will be put at work and, to facilitate the handling of the mail, a number of new cabs are being constructed.

POSTAL BONDS MAY BE REDEEMED AT ANY TIME AT PAR

Postoffice Department Makes Explanation to Its Depositors.

Postal savings bonds will be redeemed at par any time that the holder desires. Such is the information given at the Postoffice Department this morning. This is considered important, for many persons hesitated to transfer their postal savings into bonds on account of their likelihood to be "hard pressed."

With the Government pledged to redeem the bonds dollar for dollar, there will no longer be this hesitancy.

Under the authority given the board of trustees of the postal savings system, the bonds offered for sale will be purchased at par. The postal savings act gives the board of trustees the right to withdraw 20 per cent of the postal savings fund on deposit in banks and postoffices for investment in bonds and other securities of the United States. It is under this authority that the postal savings bonds will be purchased from the holders.

In regard to the report that the market value of these bonds at \$2, Mr. Hitchcock said that nothing could be more misleading. The only basis for the rumor of an actual sale at that price was an offer the other day by a New York broker to purchase \$200 of the bonds below par, which was not accepted by the holder. Mr. Hitchcock stated that postal savings bonds were not intended for speculation.

The purpose of the board of trustees was to give the mass of people an opportunity for permanent investment in the securities of the National Government. By the purchase of a \$20 postal savings bond, any thrifty person of limited means may become the creditor of the nation.

The repayment of the investment with accrued interest is secured by the pledged faith of the United States. Of the first issue of bonds, 85 per cent was in the registered form, showing that the intention of the purchasers was to retain them as permanent investments and not to use them for speculative purposes.

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Cures all blood humors, all eruptions, clears the complexion, creates an appetite, aids digestion, relieves that tired feeling, gives vigor and vim.

Get it today in usual liquid form or chocolate tablets called Sarsatabs.

Committee to Adjourn Lewis Investigation

ST. LOUIS, Nov. 18.—The Congressional Postoffice Committee on Expenditures, which has been investigating T. G. Lewis' \$3,000,000 damage claim against the Postoffice Department, announced today it would adjourn to meet again in Washington within two months.

Except in one or two instances thus far, the department has made no effort to combat Lewis' testimony.

Massachusetts Avenue Heights, an addition to the Sheridan Circle development.—Adv.

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E. W. Linn
on box 235

SPECIAL NOTICES

THE ANNUAL STOCKHOLDERS' meeting of the Mexicana Gold Mining Company will be held in Waxahachie, Texas, on December 20th, 1911, at 7 p. m. E. P. HAWKINS, Secretary.

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News Note

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The SPRING ROAD Properties

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We are the first to take advantage of this new development by offering a modern priced home that you can make money out of while you are enjoying its comforts.



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THE DEVELOPMENT OF 14TH ST. N. W., and intersecting streets for a distance of several squares east and west of 14th, has been nothing less than phenomenal. And, as this development increased real estate values have increased and will continue to increase.

NOW COMES THE CLIMAX of 14th St. and vicinity development—the opening for inspection and offering for sale of the properties we illustrate above—right at 14th St. and ON SPRING ROAD.

Here you will find homes as homes should be. Look at those deep front lawns, highly terraced—where in all Washington will you find such front lawn depth on purchaseable houses?

Then look at the type of architecture! Aren't they beautiful! That handsome pressed brick construction is re-enforced with steel—to make the homes doubly durable. Those quaint dormer windows at the top give a three-story effect, don't they?

What a fine place those porches will make on which to while away a pleasant sunny afternoon. They are very imposing looking, with their massive pillars and railings. Yes, and there's a second story railed balcony on each side, adding beauty with utility.

Now, let's step inside. You will appreciate the conveniently arranged—artistically mapped out interiors—all finished with hardwood trimmings—and the floors are hardwood, upstairs as well as downstairs. A fireplace in the parlor—and another in the dining room—A MASSIVE CARVED PILLARED ENTRYWAY BETWEEN THE TWO ROOMS—and between the parlor and hallway.

The upstairs rooms are equally as fine in their way. And don't forget the two-story rear porches that overlook neatly picketed back yards. Every modern convenience such as electric light, gas, a model heating plant with hot water attachment, etc., will be found already installed.

All that's needed is your furniture—AND BUT LITTLE OF THAT IS ACTUALLY REQUIRED, so artistic are the decorations and so complete the fixtures. AND YOU CAN BECOME THE IMMEDIATE OWNER of such a home for a cash outlay of BUT \$425. And after that but \$38 per month is required, payable just like rent, only \$38 each month pays directly on the home, including all interest.

The full price of these homes is only \$5,000. But \$5,000 for such a home in a built up community where the average price is at least \$7,000. You know just as well as we do that you should see these houses NOW—before they are ALL SOLD.

TO INSPECT—Take any 14th street car going north. Get off at 14th and Spring road, and you are right at the homes—only a few minutes' ride from center of city.

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